

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**

Attorney's Docket No.

025455-095

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I BELIEVE I AM THE ORIGINAL, FIRST AND SOLE INVENTOR (if only one name is listed below) OR AN ORIGINAL, FIRST AND JOINT INVENTOR (if more than one name is listed below) OF THE SUBJECT MATTER WHICH IS CLAIMED AND FOR WHICH A PATENT IS SOUGHT ON THE INVENTION ENTITLED:

**VOICE DRIVEN MOUTH ANIMATION SYSTEM**

the specification of which

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is attached hereto;

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was filed on August 2, 2001 as

Application No. 09/920,014

and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_;  
(if applicable)

I HAVE REVIEWED AND UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED SPECIFICATION, INCLUDING THE CLAIMS, AS AMENDED BY ANY AMENDMENT REFERRED TO ABOVE;

I ACKNOWLEDGE THE DUTY TO DISCLOSE TO THE OFFICE ALL INFORMATION KNOWN TO ME TO BE MATERIAL TO PATENTABILITY AS DEFINED IN TITLE 37, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, Sec. 1.56 (as amended effective March 16, 1992);

I do not know and do not believe the said invention was ever known or used in the United States of America before my or our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to said application; that said invention was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to said application; that said invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of said application in any country foreign to the United States of America on any application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to said application;

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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF  
SMALL ENTITY STATUS - (SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN)  
AND  
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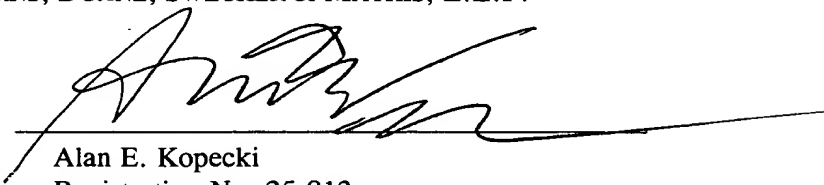
The assignee of record, Bright Spark Technologies (Proprietary) Limited, South Africa, by an Assignment document simultaneously filed this date, hereby claims the benefit of the small entity status on behalf of the subject application.

It is respectfully requested that one-half of the original filing fee filed on August 2, 2001, in the amount of \$355.00, be refunded to Applicant and deposited in Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

Respectfully submitted,

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